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photo by Fowad Shihab

**CHESS, ANYONE?** Two GW students contemplate each others' next move during a backwoods break at the VIVA Conference. See story, p.3.

## Students say 'no' to new reg system

by Denise Helou  
Hatchet Staff Writer

Many GW students adamantly oppose the University's proposed computerized registration system, saying it would neither give them the freedom to choose the time nor the preferred professors of their courses.

The GW Hatchet asked several students for their opinions, and most responded they would prefer to wait in long lines so they can control their class schedule when the University switches to the new on-line computer process next fall. The GW Registrar's Office originally targeted the switch for this spring.

"I don't mind it being computerized, but I totally disapprove of having no control over the time schedule," said sophomore James Gleba. "I think almost everybody would be against putting their schedule in the hands of someone else. If it meant losing that control, yes, I'd rather wait in the lines."

Freshman Monica Richman called the system "totally unreasonable" and said she plans to circulate a petition among several students in agreement with her.

"We're paying \$15,000 to have that right [to choose our own classes]," she said. "For the 24 hours we were inconvenienced, it was a hell of a lot better than being stuck with classes at 8 o'clock in the morning. At least you had your choice."

"The people who have internships and jobs and try to schedule it [their classes] around them would lose that advantage," said freshman Tom DeVincke.

"I've always held a job and if I couldn't get the sections I wanted, that would ruin my plans for working," said junior Lori Hamilton. "If it came down to it, I'd rather stand in line—that means you have more control over it."

"There are some professors I've heard you should avoid," commented freshman Scott Katz. Likewise, he said, "If you get a professor you like, you should follow that professor around."

"It's a good idea because it's faster, but if I get stuck in morning classes everyday, I'll be mad," said junior Dan Foley.

"There will be so many

(See SYSTEM, p.8)

## GW releases interim campus alcohol policy Sets rules on booze promo in ads

by Sue Sutter  
Managing Editor

The GW Alcohol Policy Committee on Friday released an interim campus alcoholic beverage policy containing rules for promotion and publicity of campus events at which alcohol is served:

The guidelines have been in the making since May 1986 and also state where and when alcohol may be served on campus. They incorporate last September's D.C. City Council decision to raise the legal drinking age from 18 to 21, "grandfathering" those born before Sept. 30, 1968.

The guidelines that apply to any individual group or organization regarding the distribution of advertising on campus state:

- The prominence of all references to alcohol should be secondary to the reason for the event and should never be the central theme or focus of an event.

- All refreshments to be served in addition to alcohol should be given equal billing in terms of promotional prominence.

- The quantity of alcohol should not be mentioned in the adver-

tisements:

- Illustrations and emblems related to alcohol, such as pictures of beer bottles or company logos, should be secondary to the central focus.

- Alcohol products should never be offered as prizes or awards at any event.

- A reduced price for beer or wine should not be promoted unless non-alcoholic beverage prices of the same amount or less are also promoted.

- Indirect references to alcohol should not deliberately flaunt or abuse the reference.

- All advertisements mentioning the availability of alcohol should also include the phrases "Proof of age required" or "Age ID required."

- Advertising should not portray drinking as a solution to personal, academic, or work-related problems, nor as necessary to social, sexual, academic or career success.

The policy states that appropriate residence hall staff, Marvin Center staff, or security personnel reserve the right to

(See ALCOHOL, p.8)

## Cavenagh to run D.C ambulances Barry names GW grad, ex-professor to top post

by Jennifer Cetta  
News Editor

GW alumnus and former GW assistant professor of emergency medicine John Michael Cavenagh will head the District's ailing ambulance service, D.C. Mayor Marion Barry announced Friday.

Barry, at an afternoon news conference inside the Engine Company 4 fire house at 2531 Sherman Ave., NW said Cavenagh's "management experience and expertise" as the ambulance bureau's first civilian director will aid a service plagued since last summer with response, personnel and systems problems.

Cavenagh replaces Fire Chief Theodore Coleman as director of the bureau, which is controlled by the D.C. Fire Department. Coleman was named to the position earlier this year and resigned just weeks after his appointment.

Cavenagh, 37, told city and fire officials at the news conference that Washington "is a first-class city that deserves a first-class person" to coordinate its emergency bureau.

Barry said Cavenagh's authority will extend to civilian and uniform ambulance bureau personnel.

Initial criticism about the ambulatory service began after the Mayor's Advisory Committee on

Emergency Medical Services released a blistering report citing inadequacies in staffing, poor medical records, substandard equipment and slow response time.

Although Cavenagh's experience at GW during 1985-86 has been an advantage in familiarizing himself with the city, he said "the explosive growth in technology and development" within the past year has made it difficult to determine an established course.

"I came here with no preconceived notions," he said, adding that his efforts will probably focus on the level of training for dispatchers and response time—"one of the most important elements in emergency action."

At 10.5 minutes, the District has one of the slowest response

times in the country, well behind Seattle at four minutes, Baltimore at about four minutes, and Fairfax County at just under six minutes.

When asked whether he would decrease the current response time—an issue that has generated much criticism—Cavenagh said "eight minutes is good."

Cavenagh is expected to enforce more disciplinary action on ambulance division workers as a result of eight incidents, between September 1986 and April 1987, involving slow response time in which patients have subsequently died.

Cavenagh has 15 years of experience in emergency medicine and is currently an emergency medical services coordinator with the

(See CAVENAGH, p.10)

# News of the World

## Ollie North: American role model?

Little Rock, Ark. (AP)—Lt. Col. Oliver North, in the Marine uniform he wore during the Iran-contra hearings, came to town to visit a 16-year-old Arkansas boy suffering from bone cancer.

Shawn Lane and other young patients undergoing treatment at Arkansas Children's Hospital had lunch Friday with North, after the boy and his hero spent 90 minutes together in a private visit. Shawn "had watched every minute" of North's testimony at the hearings and had wanted only to get a letter from his hero, said his mother, Doris Lane.

Hospital nurses telephoned Vickie O'Connor of the 14-state Sunshine Foundation and she called North's secretary. North, who has visited at least two other terminally ill children, got back to Ms. O'Connor.

"He was tickled to be asked," said Ms. O'Connor.

Mrs. Lane said North, who was twice wounded in Vietnam, spoke to Shawn about his own experi-

ences in hospitals and about his own four children and Shawn's family.

Before he left, he gave Shawn a Bible he had marked at Isaiah 40:31: "Yet those who wait for the Lord will gain new strength; they will mount up with wings like eagles, they will run and not get tired, they will walk and not become weary."

Finally, Mrs. Lane said, "He told Shawn to never say goodbye—and to never, never give up—no matter how bad things got or the odds against you, never give up."

## Joyous reunion, Czech style

New York (AP)—Thirty-seven years after she bid her lover goodbye with a promise to join him soon, Zdenka Klemish hugged him, wiped a tear and held up her green card, a permanent resident of the United States at last.

"She is very happy. It's hard to express in words," a beaming Stephen Klemish, now her husband, said Friday. "When you're in a suppressed country and you become free, it's like

being a bird that's let out of a cage."

For Mrs. Klemish, 62, it was the culmination of a dream that began in 1946, when as Zdenka Hromadkova she fell in love with Klemish, a young American-raised farmer living in the Czechoslovakian village of Zhor.

They lived together for three years but put off marrying so it would be easier for Klemish to return to the United States. When he did so in 1949, they planned for her to join him shortly. But Czechoslovakia repeatedly denied her a visa.

As the years passed, the pair maintained a correspondence—never letting on that each had married another. His wife died in 1978, her husband in 1982.

Then, last year, Hromadkova was allowed to join a tour group visiting the United States. She slipped away and appeared at Klemish's house in Islip. They soon were married.

The final step in their saga is a quest for U.S. citizenship for Mrs. Klemish. The Immigration and Naturalization Service first turned her down because she lacked her first husband's death certificate.

But after a lawyer presented other documents, and gathered appeals from elected officials, the

INS granted her permanent residency Friday. She can apply for citizenship in three years.

"The freedom—the country—it's beautiful," said Klemish, 67, translating for his teary-eyed wife at the INS office in Manhattan. "She only wishes we were 30 years younger."

## Mr. T spells trouble for animal shelter

Hendersonville, Tenn. (AP)—Organizers of a benefit concert Sunday for an animal shelter refused a request from Mr. T's manager that the TV star be paid \$10,000 to appear.

The Sumner County Humane Society will benefit from the Rock for the Animals concert, which features Johnny Cash, Wolfman Jack, Waylon Jennings and several other performers.

The all-day extravaganza will be minus the flamboyant tough guy with the mohawk haircut.

"Two months ago, Mr. T committed to an appearance, but at the last minute, his business manager wanted \$10,000," said

the show's producer, Hugh Waddell, "and we just don't want to pay that when everyone else is donating their time and talent."

## The latest on the U.S.-Soviet arms talks

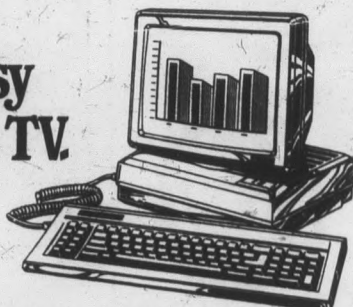
(AP)—Despite an agreement in principle on an arms control pact, the United States and the Soviet Union remain divided on two important provisions and are sending their experts back to the bargaining table.

Yet to be resolved are differences over the timetable for withdrawal of the intermediate-range nuclear missiles covered by the agreement and on a set of rules to prevent violations of the treaty.

After three days of talks, President Reagan announced on Friday that he and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev were committed to signing the treaty at a summit meeting in the United States this year, but that details must still be worked out.

"It's a commitment to each other to work our backsides off on the details; it is not an agreement to sign any old thing because there is to be a summit this fall," said one of several U.S. negotiators who spoke about the remaining differences on condition of anonymity.

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## Clark rips Bork, public apathy

by Andrew Silver  
Hatchet Staff Writer

During a heated and controversial "Bicentennial Celebration" speech Wednesday night in the Marvin Center, former U.S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark promoted world peace and order, and denounced U.S. Supreme Court nominee Judge Robert H. Bork.

The speech attracted approximately 100 students to whom Clark also spoke about the importance of the Constitution on its 200th anniversary.

Calling the Constitution "a lively document," Clark said its original intent does not account for changes within the law. Just as "words in a dictionary must, over time, be understood as a new concept, so must the Constitution," he said.

Clark, attorney general during Lyndon B. Johnson's (See CLARK, p.11)

# VIVA leadership conference turns into a testing ground for weekend alcohol rules

by Kevin Tucker  
Asst. News Editor

The past weekend's Vital Issues/Variety Approaches (VIVA) Leadership Conference attracted 135 student leaders who participated in a program billed as "a time to learn, relax and exchange ideas."

During the weekend, however, the conference became a testing ground for the University's guidelines concerning alcohol for the weekend event.

Students representing about 35 GW organizations traveled to Camp Friendship in Virginia on Friday, where Vice President for Academic Affairs Roderick S. French opened the program with a keynote address.

French stressed the role of student organizations and leaders in creating a "new GW." The University is "under-interpreted," he said, and student leaders are needed to change GW's heterogeneous makeup into "something special."

"It's going to take two generations of work to create the GW we [the administrators, faculty and students] want to see," French said.

After an "icebreaking" session led by Director of Student Activities Claudia Derriotte during which participants introduced themselves to the group, the day's formal activities ended.

That night, alcoholic beverages were consumed by some students in the program, although rules set by the VIVA planning committee prohibited the bringing of alcohol to the camp.

"Violations of the rule were allegedly very extensive," said Dean of Students Gail Short Hanson, who called the acts "self-indulgent, irresponsible behavior."

The drinking was brought to the attention of administrators early Saturday, when two students were reported missing. The students were later found during a search of the cabins. Although Hanson refused to comment on other details of the incident, it was alleged that the two students—a male and female—were intoxicated. "The pieces are still being fit together," Hanson said.

After the Saturday morning work sessions, administrators and students confronted each other on the night's incidents during the

"town meeting" program. Reverend Bill Crawford, director of the Ecumenical Christian Ministry, and Associate Director of Housing Kathleen Jordan acted as moderators for the discussion.

Crawford spoke of the "reality of drinking" and what was reasonable to expect from the students. VIVA "is just as much a University function as anything that takes place on campus," he said, and therefore students should abide by GW's rules.

Students said beer kegs had been brought to the event in previous years with the approval of administrators. "The only difference this time is it wasn't sponsored by you [the administrators]," said Christopher Preble, Columbian College senator.

Ellen Fancher, assistant director of the Student Activities Office, said the decision not to bring alcohol had been made in light of GW's change in policy. "We are liable and legally responsible for this event," she said.

"People just weren't thinking," said VIVA participant Helen Dobson.

Others agreed, saying the rule would not have been difficult to follow. "One night without alcohol is not too much to ask," said Undergraduate Senator at-Large John David Morris. "We need to be in control of it."

Preble said the decision to drink or not should be his "own personal choice" and claimed it was his right of "civil disobedience" to participate in drinking at the conference.

GW Student Association President Adam Freedman said, "Breaking this rule is not something new to me—it's something I was socialized into."

Crawford said, "If the rule is not enforceable, we should all laugh at it."

Hanson said any disciplinary action taken would be "strictly confidential" but said there would be interviews conducted with some of the people involved in the incident.

Freedman said he did not believe "any specific person" could be held responsible. "I don't think the basis of the VIVA Conference will be altered," he said, "but we will have to pay stricter attention to the rules."

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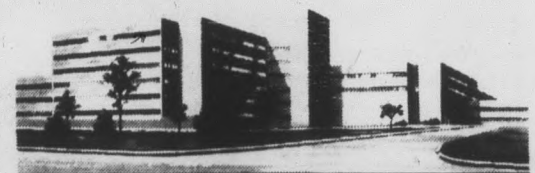
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# Editorials

## INF 'musts'

Simply stated, nuclear weapons represent perhaps the gravest danger to the survival of the human race. (We add the qualifier *perhaps* because other problems—species destruction, tropical deforestation, chemical and biological weaponry and ozone depletion—represent equally severe threats to the fate of humanity.)

In any case, it's a given fact of post-WWII society that nuclear weapons typify the least abstract and most visible example of man's ability to destroy himself. And so, one would not expect to hear criticism about a U.S.-Soviet "agreement in principle" to eliminate medium- and short-range nuclear weapons. Yet, valid and crucial criticisms do exist in the context of analyzing the latest U.S.-Soviet INF proposal.

● We must remember that the proposed treaty is not, nor should it be, the first step on the path to total nuclear disarmament. It's both unrealistic and dangerous to envision a nuclear-free Earth. In a world where the two superpowers each have thousands of nuclear weapons, the effects of one country not strictly following the reduction formula of an arms control treaty is not that dangerous—with (hypothetically) either 8,000 or 9,000 warheads, each country would still retain a second-strike capability. But in a supposed nuclear-free world, if one side were to cheat, the effects on international stability would be catastrophic.

● Verification, long a primary obstacle to arms control, must be assured before the U.S. should commit itself to a treaty. Nuclear weapon balances are simply too important to just hope that the Soviets comply with a treaty.

● The U.S. and other NATO countries must be prepared to increase the amount of expenditures earmarked toward conventional military programs. Without such increases, and with the elimination of medium- and short-range nuclear weapons, the Warsaw Pact countries would enjoy a conventional military superiority in Europe.

Therefore, although we applaud administration efforts at seeking effective arms control, we must be sure that Reagan is not more interested in getting his name into the history books (we know Nancy is) than he is in securing meaningful arms control agreements.

## Lead by inebriation

With all the hype that has surrounded the drinking age and its effect on GW policies, one might think there was nothing more to say about the issue. The law has been set and, by all indications, is here to stay. So, each of us has to deal with its consequences as best we can.

Some of our student leaders appear to have forgotten how to deal with the consequences.

This past weekend at the VIVA Leadership Conference, certain chief members of GW's student body took it upon themselves to defy both University rules and Virginia state law by possessing and consuming alcohol. Way to go, boys and girls. We're glad you chose a University-sponsored event, especially one designed to "prepare you to become a more effective campus leader," to show your disregard for established laws. It is a perfect setting, don't you think?

The people at this event are supposed to be the "campus elite." They are public figures and they are expected to set an example for the rest of the student body. What an example! If this is the way they treat the established laws of the University, how do they expect the members of their own organizations to treat the rules they establish?

Even more ludicrous is that not one of the so-called "leaders" at this conference would have had to accept responsibility for their actions—that fell to the organizers of the event. It should not be necessary for those organizers to chaperone a group of students supposedly reliable enough to run some of the most influential student groups on campus.

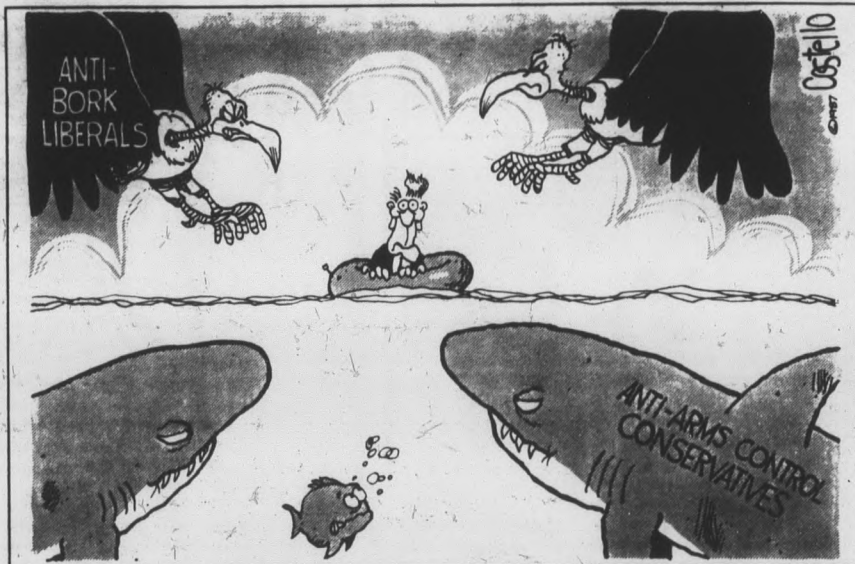
There's only one thing that remains to be seen, boys and girls: What other rules will you break?

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## Letters to the editor

### 'Bent' tact

We would like to respond in defense of the various fraternities of GW, specifically the Delta Tau Delta fraternity.

In recent months The GW Hatchet has hosted various dissenting views of fraternity activities on campus. While the groups that advance these complaints have just causes for their anger and disappointment in some contexts, their disapproval should be tempered to a certain extent within our, or any college, community.

While Delta Tau Delta's and other fraternities' party themes and promotional flyers have seemed tasteless and derogatory to select groups, the community as a whole should realize that these people are not heinous criminals but college students trying to have fun in a harmless, albeit tactless, manner. Fraternities are designed, by nature, to promote social light-heartedness and general good times. Why not let them do so?

Our advice to the GW community is this: the next time a potentially controversial promotional flyer or party theme surfaces, take a step back, look at it for what it is, an attempt at humor to catch peoples' eyes; it is not a racist, sexist or derogatory statement from a secret order of chauvinistic pigs. Also, enjoy the normal, everyday members of the fraternity in question and, in the immortal words of Delta Tau Delta President Keith Sopher, "Get Bent!"

-Robert Babcock  
-Todd Evans

### Regional bias

In his article of Monday, Sept. 14, Christopher Preble offers an article similar to the Rio Grande—shallow and unclear. Preble asserts that, due to the unwillingness of American workers to take unskilled labor positions, the country faces a labor shortage. He contends that a more open immigration policy, specifically with regard to Mexico, would alleviate this problem.

Immigration policy may need to be reevaluated, but simply "un-doing" it is no solution; Preble's

analysis is fundamentally flawed. The labor imbalances "reported nationwide" are primarily regional in nature, with Preble's home region of the Northeast being the most affected. Undocumented aliens now cross the southern border at a rate of many thousands a year, yet few of them go to the Northeast. Aliens simply cannot afford to get there, which is why more cross the Rio Grande into Texas than the Penobscot into Maine.

Most aliens settle in the border belt states; this region is not among those affected by labor shortages. The region depends a great deal on the petroleum industry, which has been in a dramatic decline since 1985. The Southwest cannot absorb the aliens it receives now; how could it cope with an unrestricted flood of new immigrants? Already overburdened social services would not be able to handle the increased load. Opening the borders would lead to feelings of native resentment, not unlike that that Turkish *gastarbeiters* in West Germany must bear. We feel that Preble takes far too insular a view of the problem; he sees a labor shortage in New England and suggests throwing open the borders without regard to how such a policy would affect the rest of the nation.

Mr. Preble, you now have a regular column in the Hatchet. Unfortunately, your first column presented such a weak analysis of the issue at hand it was almost laughable. In the future, please try to make your feature more worthy of Buckley than of Buchwald.

-Richard A. Stifel  
-Carl A. Lichvarcik, Jr.

### 'Vator victim

One might get the impression from the front page article on Sept. 14, "Glades 'hell-evator' rides" that this was an isolated incident. I, as well as many other GW students, can assure you that it was not. Although granted, this occurrence was one of the more extreme cases, "hell-evators" have always been cropping up around campus. I can recall many incidents that happened in Mitchell Hall last year.

On more than one occasion, all three elevators have been out of commission for days at a time. I'm sure that the residents of Thurston Hall can identify with this particular problem. Elevators have notoriously failed to come before 10 o'clock in the morning. On several occasions late at night, I have walked past the elevator to find all three doors open at my floor, not going anywhere unless someone went in and pushed the lobby button. For a few months last year, the middle elevator would either completely pass by the fifth floor, or the inner doors would open and the outer doors would not. For about a week, the middle elevator (Mitchell's own hell-evator) would take the victims from the lobby, to the eighth floor and then back to the lobby—no matter what buttons were pushed.

Surely Mitchell is not the only building plagued by schizophrenic elevators. Just last week, not five minutes after I had read the mentioned article, I was waiting for an elevator in the Gelman library with one other person. A few minutes later, the middle doors opened and we proceeded to enter the elevator. As we stepped toward it, the doors promptly snapped shut, not having been open more than two seconds. We took the steps. On my way down from the sixth floor in the middle elevator again, the car stopped on the fifth floor, and after the doors were open for a second, they started to close. Someone quickly pressed the open button, allowing the would-be passengers to enter. We then calmly waited for the doors to close, but you guessed it, they did not. After 45 seconds, two men pulled the doors shut. Thank God we made it to the lobby.

So you see Everglades, you are not alone. Perhaps it is a conspiracy, in particular, a middle elevator conspiracy. I realize that it is difficult to keep every University elevator in perfect condition, but hey, this is the Land of the Free. I'm in college, I know my rights and I can complain about it. Oh yes, and don't worry about taking the stairs, it's good for you America!

-Karen Kanefield

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# Opinion

## It's time to abort *Roe v. Wade*

Abortion. The very word, much less the practice, arouses a variety of reactions from the American public, most of them heavily charged with emotion. While emotion certainly has its place in politics and in policy-making, it is difficult to overlook the way it has contaminated the debate over what may be the most important issue of our time.

A good question at this juncture would be: why is it our generation's most important issue? The reason is, unlike defense, welfare or the environment, it belongs in a unique way to the individuals of a certain political era, where issues require taking into account the changes in science and in technology. A reasonable proposal would be that, as the ability of science to sustain life advances, our policy toward that life must change accordingly.

I mention the shift in health technology because it effects the point at which the unborn may be

*Steven Teles*

considered alive as a human, and therefore having applicable to it the laws and morality we accord to any other living human. This is the distinction that both the anti-abortion and the misled pro-choice activists have missed, and which has led them to argue the point in an unfortunately wrong-headed manner.

The issue should never go beyond the issue of human life, when it begins and what effect that has on policy. While having a closer relationship to the truth, the pro-choice groups have staked out the issue in argumentally dangerous turf. They have made it into some type of women's rights question, that of the loosely defined reproductive right. I fail to see the right of a mother to abort the unborn she is carrying so long as it is human—just because she is providing it sustenance does not give her the right to terminate its life, or we would accord the same right to a mother over the born, when the sustenance is economic and emotional.

The anti-abortion group comes closer to getting the point, but misses by its inexactitude. These people realize that the real question is the life of the unborn, but then argue that at the point of conception, the fetus should be granted the privileges of a human. At the point of conception, and the next few months, the fetus is a little more than an embryonic life-form, very difficult to distinguish from the unborn of other species. By stating that such a life is human, the pro-lifers not only commit a rash judgement, but devalue the very race for which they are assumed to be

members.

What we must do is find some clear-minded method for determining the point at which the fetus can be considered human, and then base our public policy upon that. The best way to accomplish this is by examining the way we view the living and the point at which we consider them no longer alive.

In the broadest sense, we still accord the right to life to any human being who can sustain his/her vital capacities with the assistance of artificial means. If we did not, we would be unable to consider dialysis patients human, a conclusion I doubt we should be willing to draw. Although many proponents of euthanasia state that the cut-off point should be braindeath, I think in the case of life or death, we should seek to err on the side of life.

Now, if we consider the requirement for life to be the ability to sustain vital functions with the aid of medical assistance, what effect does this have upon the life of the unborn? The best medical science we have to date suggests that no unborn can be kept alive before the 17th or 18th week of the pregnancy, so if we are to apply our life-test to the fetus, we should place the cut-off somewhat under that, say the 16th week, or the end of the fourth month.

The obvious criticism of this framework is that it is susceptible to change as the capacity of medical science to extend life advances. I, far from shunning this, embrace it. We are, as I mentioned earlier, in a new policy-making era, where technology has a profound and deep-reaching effect upon our lives, and therefore our political structures. If we are to accept the current definitions of life that our culture has developed, we must be willing to apply those without bias, both to those before birth and after.

The current day effects? Very few. The overwhelming majority of aborted pregnancies currently occur well before the 16th week, with only a small single digit number of terminated pregnancies occurring after that point. We would have to overturn *Roe v. Wade*, which set up a random and thoroughly unacceptable framework for deciding when abortions can occur, and replace it with some type of legislation, possibly a constitutional amendment, that would state what our culture considers to constitute life. A failure to address this question properly has been, and continues to be, one of our government's most disgraceful examples of political cowardice and intellectual vacuousness. It must be resolved once and for all.

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nians who were born there are denied the right to return to their homeland.

The foremost champion of Scharansky's release was his wife, Avital, who appeared with him in the front-page picture. Ignored from the Hatchet article is the fact that Avital is a member of Gush Emunim. Among that group are settlers convicted of car-bombing Palestinian mayors, attempting to blow up mosques sacred for Muslims and illegally seizing Palestinian property. Avital herself calls for driving out 1.2 million Palestinians so that room can be made for other Soviet Jews.

The Palestinians who were driven out of their home are still suffering in the refugee camps in Lebanon. Five years ago, on Sept. 16, the massacre of Palestinian

refugees at the Sabra and Shatilla refugee camps in Lebanon was carried out by the Christian militiamen armed and supported by the Israeli army. The exact number killed may never be known; estimates run as high as 1,000. In that war which Israel launched in 1982, over 17,000 people were killed, 25,000 wounded and 600,000 left homeless.

Anatoly Scharansky came to Washington to arrange for a historical demonstration against the Soviet leaders when they come to Washington. Will he lead the demonstration against Israel for its violation of human rights? Will he ask for the Palestinians suffering in the refugee camps to return to their home? Just remember, Mr. Scharansky, when you go back to what you call your home,

## Defending sanctions

A year ago, I wrote a column in which I supported the Senate's decision to impose sanctions on South Africa's white-minority government. At that time, I did not think the sanctions would induce South Africa to dismantle its apartheid system. But this certainly was a good move, one that would enhance the American position in the Third World, and would help the U.S. have an effective South African policy.

Opponents of the sanctions point out today that the sanctions have not served any purpose, and that no real change has taken place in South Africa since they were implemented. Yet, the fact that little change has taken place is precisely the reason why the sanctions should remain.

There is no doubt that the U.S. has become more popular in the Third World by implementing the sanctions. But many African nations had demanded that the Americans "break apartheid's

vincing that a peaceful solution to the South African crisis exists, and they are right to try to look for one. Yet, that country's society is becoming more and more polarized. The white supremacist party of Eugene Terreblanche (his name means "white land") has made considerable gains in this year's elections, and is now the official parliamentary opposition to President Botha's National Party. Killings and demonstrations continue, and the president's celebrated but half-hearted reforms are moving at a snail's pace.

The U.S. is, understandably, in a delicate position. We want to avoid a civil war and the possibility of a communist government. A civil war may be inevitable, but a communist government is not necessarily the likeliest alternative to the present regime. And, anyway, how could a communist regime be worse for black South Africans than the present government? If such a government ever came to power, it may be possible to have fairly good relations with it. In all objectivity, Marxist Mozambique has good relations with us, and we help its government with economic aid. The same thing could be done with an eventual South African politburo, but only if such a regime ever became reality, and if all traces of support to apartheid were eliminated.

Many African Marxist governments are not as closely allied to the Soviet Union as Eastern Bloc nations. Occasionally there are severe disputes between Moscow and its African allies. Somalia expelled its Soviet military consultant and leased its military bases to America. Congo has good relations with all Western countries, and so does Mozambique and, to a certain extent, Angola.

It seems to me that I've devoted more space to African communism than it really deserves. My point, however, remains the same. We must not help South African apartheid perpetuate itself because such an attitude is simply not in our interest. The sanctions were a good, if imperfect move, and they should be retained until apartheid disappears, regardless of what comes after it.

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neck." This we will never be able to do because the Afrikaner-dominated government will probably fight to the end to maintain its supremacy in South Africa. In these conditions, we can only try to deprive this regime of the economic infrastructure it needs to survive. No one seriously thinks that apartheid will endure forever. More and more people say that a bloody civil war is inevitable.

Therefore, it is no longer necessary to contribute to the survival of the apartheid system. Archbishop Desmond Tutu once said, "We will remember those who helped and those who did not help us become free." Do we want South African blacks to remember that the U.S. provided technology and business to the Afrikaner regime to the end? Some will say that Pretoria will always find nations willing to sell it arms and technology. However, I will reply that America does not have to be associated with these countries. It is a matter of common sense. It is better to sacrifice a few billion dollars than to jeopardize relations with the future black South African government.

Certain people are still con-

that those who planted the orange trees across the street were eating grass and mice a few months ago in West Beirut when they were under siege. Remember that those people also have a dream, like you, to go back to their home. I wonder which dream you share, your wife's or theirs.

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## The flip side

The news editor of The GW Hatchet, Jennifer Cetta, described Anatoly Scharansky in her article "Scharansky asks for D.C. students' help" (Sept. 14). "... as a symbol of resistance for human rights activists and for the two million Soviet Jews still denied emigration to the West." That may be so, but it remains to be seen whether his release from the Soviet Union is a victory for human rights. An elementary moral point is that rights are not human rights if they don't apply to everyone. The moment Scharansky sets foot in "Israel," he instantly becomes an Israeli citizen. But millions of Palesti-



# Commentary

## A progressive's perspective

### Basting Bork's background

If you have already read the fellow to my right, then you know that my job is pointless. If the rampaging realist would not vote for Robert Bork, who will? (No, that is not an invitation for more letters from the Young Americans for Fascism.) But if you've decided to read me first (good for you!), then here are some good reasons why the Senate should have a Bork-b-que come voting time.

There are those graduates of the Orrin Hatch School of Supreme Court Design who claim that it's not right for the Senate to consider anything except Judge Bork's "integrity." The Senate ought to be short on advice and long on consent. But wouldn't old Orrin's head spin if some nutty Democrat nominated, say ... Gus Hall, Chairman of the Communist Party of the United States, for a spot on the Court? Integrity? Here is a man who has stuck with the same ideas for upwards of 30 years, which is more than can be said about former Dem, Ronald Reagan.

A cursory check indicates that Hall has been faithful to the United States Criminal Code, which is more than can be said of William Rehnquist (he got a speeding ticket awhile ago). It's not even against the law to

what the framers said it is, and if a right isn't visible with the naked eye, it's just not in there. This philosophy effectively shuts the door on a world of interpretive rights to which we have become accustomed. What could we expect from a Court chock full of Borks?

Framers' intent does not take us very far in answering that question. Trying to find the *real* framers' intent would be much like trying to separate and divide the original ingredients of a vat of guacamole and cheese soup. The framers, you see, were not in agreement on much of anything—debate raged throughout the Convention.

In a Solomonic decision gone awry, the Convention cut black American slaves into fifths and their power went to the slave owners. The mistakes of the framers held such a grip on the laws of this land that it took a formal amendment to abolish the poll tax (the Civil War amendments weren't enough). The fact is that just about every political concept that was timely in 1787 was floated at the original Convention.

As for judicial restraint, I fear it is merely a mask for conservative judicial activism. In a conversation before his speech here last Thursday, former Attorney General Ramsey Clark, a classmate of Bork who drafted much of the Civil Rights Act, said Bork "had decided long ago how he wanted the world to be and just needed a doctrine to conform to that vision."

Bork has argued at times that there is a right to prayer in schools (or at least that

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there is no right to forbid it). Would he go so far as to say that there is a Constitutional right to school prayer? I checked my pocket-size copy of the document, and it's not in there.

I would venture to guess that the issue never came up in the Convention either, though the Convention members voted not to have a priest bless their work. So from where does that right come? Could it be, oh, I don't know, Satan? Maybe so, since the same argument could be made for abortion. Does the Court really have the right to forbid women from having abortions? I guess Robert Bork would have to say no. That Mephistophiles, what a kiddier.

The final fallback position, taken by a certain columnist who fancies himself a realist, is that even if Bork is confirmed by the Senate it won't be all that bad. After all, these justices tend to mellow in office. (Kind of makes you wonder what they do in closed chambers, doesn't it?) And besides, there are still eight competent justices on the Court that can control a rampaging Bork. Isn't that comforting? It seems to this humble columnist that we ought to seek out judicial moderates in the first place, and I am sure there are a few moderate friends of Reagan out there.

The National Archives displayed the Constitution in its entirety for 87 hours this week. The old document just isn't what it used to be. You can still read the words, but the paper is so fragile and so yellow that it has to be protected with special lighting and air conditioning. Judge Bork might have paid a visit to the Archives to see the old document and to see how far we have come in 200 years.

Jon Kessler's commentary appears each Monday in *The GW Hatchet*.

## Reflections of a realist

### Bork is not the anti-christ

Amidst a party on the Mall, amidst balloons, speeches, music and singing, amidst a "day-long teach-in" on the Constitution, as Peter Jennings put it, there's an element of that 200 year-old document that's being played out. Judge Robert Bork has been nominated to fill the vacancy left on the Supreme Court by retiring Justice Lewis Powell. And in this city where almost anything can be taken for granted, the Bork hearings are the focus of great attention.

The battle lines had been drawn and many a volley had already been fired before Mr. Bork ever confronted the Senate Judiciary Committee. The American people hadn't seen this much hype over impending congressional hearings since the Iran-contra scandal! But despite what Sen. Edward Kennedy might say, the world will not come to an end if Bob Bork is confirmed.

On the conservative side, the attempt to paint Bork as a moderate is entirely illegitimate; Bork's supporters want to be able to shift the balance of the court to alter certain decisions handed down by the Warren and Burger courts with which they disagree. A moderate would not hold such promise.

However, after cutting through the preponderance of rhetoric, we find that Robert Bork is not the anti-christ, but in the same sense, he is not a saint.

So why the hype? Fundamentally, in the driving force that has caused thousands of

vidual rights claims to an issue of "competing gratifications." In the end, Bork determines to let the majority have its own way in establishing said rights. This, however, runs contrary to fundamental attitudes in the American political tradition.

In *Federalist No. 10*, James Madison defended at length the Constitution's responsibility to protect the nation's citizens from the influences of factions. "When a majority is included in a faction," he wrote, "the form of popular government ... enables it to sacrifice to its ruling passion or interest both the public good and the rights of other citizens."

As such, Madison and his colleagues provided that our system would protect the right of said minority. Finally, in *Federalist No. 78*, Alexander Hamilton defended the role of an active judiciary "as faithful guardians of the Constitution, where legislative invasions of it had been instigated by the major voice in the community."

On another front, constitutional scholars have questioned the theory of original intent, to which Bork subscribes. Macedo questions its validity based on the fact that

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Americans to respond to this conflict by flooding Senate offices with mail, there is a manifestation of some Americans' fears and others' hopes. For both groups, these hopes and fears spring up around some of the most controversial and emotional issues of our day: abortion, homosexuality, First Amendment rights to free speech and minority rights.

Rightly or wrongly, both sides have assigned Robert Bork an illustrious or infamous judicial future. He has been painted as the "swing vote," the single key person capable of overturning or sustaining some of the rights which millions of Americans hold as either entirely legitimate or sacrilegiously illegitimate in the American constitutional heritage.

Judge Bork's apparent views on the constitutional protections of privacy rights, for example, have attracted much attention. Bork has voiced dissatisfaction with *Griswold v. Connecticut* which first established a constitutional right to privacy and with *Roe v. Wade* which established a constitutional right to abortion.

Still, Bork remains hard to pin down. There remains the possibility that Bork has changed his mind on these and on other opinions, or that he will claim to do so in hopes of capturing the Senate's approval. The broader theories to which Bork subscribes, however, namely original intent and judicial restraint, give a more clear indication as to how he will behave as a Supreme Court Justice.

Professor Stephen Macedo of Harvard University, in a book prepared for the Cato Institute, despaired over Bork's attitudes toward majority rule as they pertain to the protection of the individual. In the *New Right v. The Constitution*, Macedo makes reference to what he calls Bork's "moral skepticism." Bork has reduced many indi-

one, the so-called "framers" are difficult to identify as a single unit and two, the scarcity of evidence on the framers' intentions indicate that they never intended to have their personal opinions dictate the conduct of government for endless years.

Macedo is led to conclude that original intent actually reduces to the "Jurisprudence of Selective Intent." That is, "judges are referred to original intentions only when the process serves a deeper political commitment—that of construing government powers and powers of majorities broadly and individual rights narrowly."

I oppose the nomination of Robert Bork to the Supreme Court. I do not believe that he alone will send the country back to the dark ages. I do not believe that his decisions will cause blacks to sit at segregated lunch counters or take away the vote from women. There are at least eight other justices on the court to prevent this from happening.

There are, however, substantive issues on which Bork's record is suspect, and it is for these reasons that he should be opposed. It is my hope that the prevailing rhetoric has not so clouded the issue that rational thinking Americans will be unable or unwilling to prevent Mr. Bork from attaining a seat on the high court.

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be a Commie anymore. So I suppose General Secretary Hall would breeze through a Hatch-led Judiciary Committee. It might be interesting to see what some of these "ideology is unimportant" types would say in that instance.

Of course, the confirmation process goes beyond running an FBI check on the candidate. The fallback position of Hatch & Co. is that it's not right to consider the candidate's stand on specific issues. Teddy Kennedy should not be talking about what Judge Bork would do with abortion or with civil rights. That ought to make the C-SPAN viewers happy.

Does most of the public really know that there is no difference between original intent and framers' intent. Do they care? Of course, they don't. But give them a few sniffs of abortion or civil rights or sodomy laws and ZAPPO, public interest is suddenly very much piqued. The pro and the anti-Bork people know this. You won't hear chants of "down with framers' intent, down with the old Convention, viva judicial activism" in Lafayette Park. It's more like "three cheers for reproductive rights! Viva Voting Rights Act! Viva Che, save the whales" (oops, I got carried away). The people this country care about issues, not ideologies. And so should the Senate.

But since we are being so agreeable today, let's look at Bork's ideology anyway. Bork's twin concepts of judicial restraint and original intent ostensibly come down to this—the Constitution is





# Christensen tries to give GWTV a lot of 'class'

by Rich Katz  
Editor-in-Chief

Ted Christensen is on a mission.

The man in the newly created position of assistant vice president for GW Television is striving to further integrate the system "full-force and campus-wide" into everyday academics.

Christensen is already meeting with GW deans and department heads to broadcast more classes but, he says, "the first step is that the college or school must want to work with us."

"We are also soliciting more businesses and more government agencies to use GWTV. It's ideal for the commuter student because it saves him travel time."

Christensen says GWTV will continue to concentrate on telecoursing to commuter students because "the numbers are increasing for adult students off-campus, not undergraduates on-campus."

GWTV primarily broadcasts credit programs for GW's School of Engineering and Applied Sciences, "but that is going to change and be expanded," he said.

Last year, the four-year-old station was turned over to the Office of the Vice President by the Division of Continuing Education to "coordinate all of the station's facilities for their maximum use by the University," GW President Lloyd H. Elliott said.

"Undergraduates would have more access through their coursework to what previously had been more restricted," Elliott said. "They can get hands-on experience in everything from camera work to the production of an actual TV broadcast."

Christensen said a long-term project for the station involves picking telecourses off satellites and feeding them to GW classrooms, "but first we have to decide on the real value" of on-campus broadcasting. In the meantime, he said, GWTV "has the capabilities to assist academic departments in producing what they want."

"We're focusing on getting each department to know about

us. Then the next step will be working on their utilization of GWTV."

In the past, GWTV has worked successfully with the University's academic departments. Several years ago, the station worked with the School of Business Administration to link telecourses in Lima, Peru.

The station, housed in a maze of rooms on the third floor of the Academic Center, has the potential to broadcast 40 classes but is currently only broadcasting eight. It has two studios, one control room and state-of-the-art equipment. "It's a real gold mine," Christensen said, "and it will play a more pivotal role in helping GW stay in the forefront

of the telecommunications age."

The station's broadcast system, the Instructional Television Fixed Service, is a license granted by the Federal Communications Commission to transmit a signal to area receivers. A signal can also be sent and received to a global communications network. This satellite teleconferencing means GWTV can be broadcast to anywhere in the world.

Christensen said GWTV will expand its international transmissions schedule, and he expects the station to broadcast its fifth World Food Day, a charity event designed to alleviate the world hunger problem. He also would like "to bring foreign language broadcasts" into GW.

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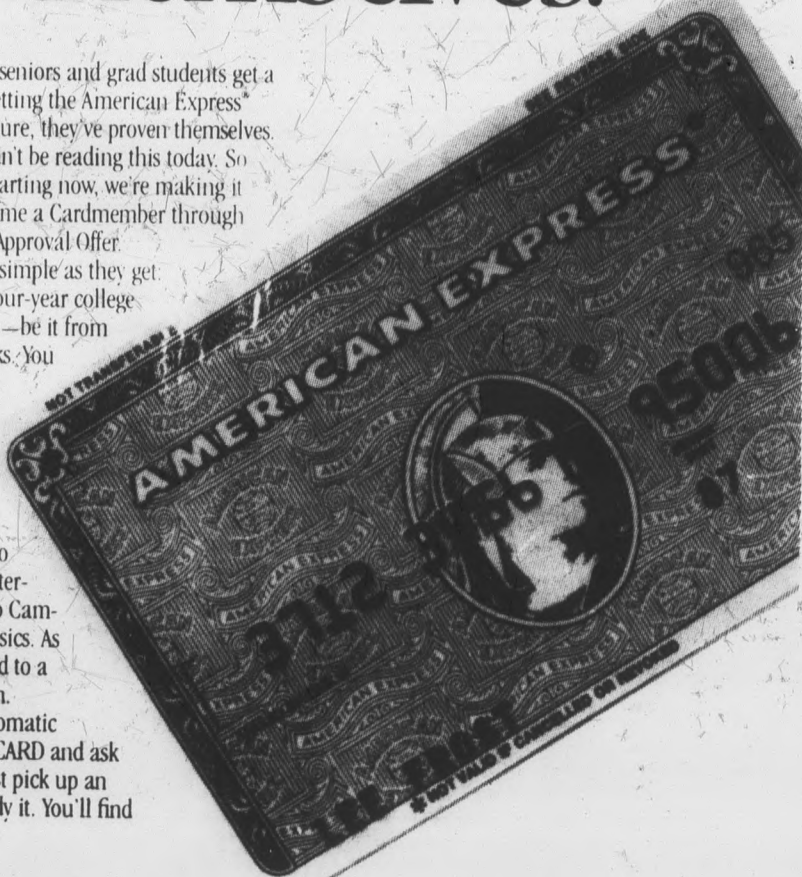
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## Alcohol

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remove advertisements that violate these guidelines.

"For all practical purposes, we have been working from this document in advising groups about the alcohol policy," al-

though the guidelines have recently been put into writing, said Claudia Derricotte, chairman of the Alcohol Policy Committee and director of Student Activities. This policy precedes a final draft that will come after the interim policy is sent to the University's legal counsel and recommendations are handed down to the committee. Copies of the policy will be printed and made available to the public this week.

Derricotte said she did not anticipate student disapproval of the policy because last year the committee solicited student input in constructing the policy. "We haven't had any opinion voiced against them [the guidelines] yet," she said.

"I think it's a fair policy," said GW Student Association President Adam Freedman. "It was pretty much as I expected."

The interim policy states alcohol at campus events may be served and consumed during the following hours: Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m.-midnight; Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m.-2 a.m.; Sunday 11 a.m.-midnight.

Freedman said he would like to see the Thursday night hours extended because Thursday is "a pretty big night when students go out."

The promotion and publicity guidelines will affect fraternity

party advertisements posted on-campus. Freedman said the other guidelines do not affect fraternities because the policy states, "off-campus events shall not be considered University sponsored or sanctioned events." Freedman said fraternities are considered "off-campus" because they are not formally recognized by the University.

The policy states that rule violations may result in oral or written warnings, revocation of an organization's eligibility to hold events in University facilities, counseling referrals, eviction from University housing, suspension or expulsion from GW or prosecution in D.C.

Judicial Coordinator for Student Affairs Richard Weitzner said punishment for rules infractions will depend on where the offense occurs and by whom. He said infractions within the residence-halls will be handled by GW's Office of Housing and Residence Life, and a group's eligibility to hold events in a campus facility will probably be decided by that facility's director. Suspension from the University will be handled through non-academic disciplinary measures, he said, and other violations will be handled within the University judicial system.

## System

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problems with people trying to work out their schedule," said sophomore Elisa Katzman. "I think it [the present system]

usually works out better even with the hassles of waiting in line because you have more control."

"There are other things they can do to make the lines shorter," said junior Pedro Carrera. "They should work on that."

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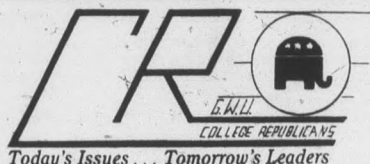
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# Arts and Music

## Bruce Cockburn counts down to a miracle

Songwriter rallies support against *contra* aid on record, stage

by Tim Walker

"Raven Bringing Light to the World" is the painting that illustrates the cover of Bruce Cockburn's latest record, *Waiting for a Miracle*, a two-disc compilation set. Tomorrow night at Constitution Hall, Cockburn, along with Judy Collins, Peter, Paul and Mary and the Washington Squares, will bring "light" in the form of a concert to benefit Countdown '87 Campaign Against *Contra* Aid.

Cockburn, an important musical and social voice in his native Canada, has been recording for more than 17 years, a time during which he has drawn worldwide attention for his efforts to help the oppressed and underprivileged people around the world. Cockburn raised \$35,000 for the Haida Indians and has been in contact with foreign governments petitioning for human and civil liberties. As a result, Cockburn recently received the coveted Order of Canada honor.

During the last four years, the tumultuous situation in Central America has been the focus of much of Cockburn's artistic and political attention. In 1983, he made his first trip to Nicaragua to see the state of the brewing revolution. What he discovered changed his life.

"The trip changed my political outlook quite profoundly," Cockburn told The GW Hatchet last week. "I saw things that the American people just aren't aware

of. In general, people in the U.S. aren't aware of anything about Nicaragua other than the fact that somebody says there's some sort of threat which couldn't be further from the truth. There's no way Nicaragua, under any condition, presents any threat to the American people."

Cockburn's first trip to the area inspired his powerful 1984 record, *Stealing Fire*, which contained "If I Had a Rocket Launcher." He sings: "I want to raise every voice/At least I've got to try/Everytime I think about it/water rises to my eyes/Situation desperate/Echoes of the victim's cry/If I had a rocket launcher/Some sonofabitch would die."

In an age where the majority of the people prefers to lend its hand to projects that aren't controversial and have no other side to the issue (U.S.A. For Africa, Farm Aid, Hands Across America), Countdown '87 and Cockburn's music confronts Americans with an issue that has left many divided, some confused.

"I don't know who's ready to listen to what," Cockburn said. "I only know from my own experience that the 'other side' is complete bull---. It's up to me if I know that, and I do, to get up and say so."

After a second trip to Nicaragua last year, Cockburn was able to reassess the situation. His concern is for the people of that region who are feeling the obtrusive presence of exploitative

governments, namely the United States.

"Eventually, the U.S. is going to invade Nicaragua. The money it's sending isn't working and unless something is done, the whole thing is going to escalate."

*World of Wonders* takes aim at the forces of oppression and exploitation. In "Call it Democracy," Cockburn points his finger at the International Monetary Fund. Again, the message is about as subtle as a blow across the head. He sings: "Padded with power/Here they come/International loan sharks/Backed by the gun of market-hungry military profiteers/It's just spend a buck to make a buck/You don't really give a flying --- about the people in misery."

"We made a video for 'Call it Democracy,'" Cockburn said, "that eventually got shown on MTV. They have a policy not to show product names, which under most circumstances is commendable. But in this case, it worked against us. So we had to go back and cut out all the names of the offending companies. I don't see why; we weren't libeling anybody. The video fortunately didn't lose too much of its original impact."

Although Cockburn's recent albums have brought him a reputation as an activist, it is a mistake not to acknowledge the man's blinding musical versatility. *Waiting for a Miracle* is testimony to Cockburn's ability to incorporate countless musical styles into



his compositions. Everything from folk to reggae to jazz to straight pop turns up in his music; his lyrics cover every topic, political and emotional. *Waiting for a Miracle* is certainly one of the year's most richly textured and worthwhile records.

"The songs I write don't sound like hits to big labels," he said. "A lot of it's due to the politics of my records, but American record companies have a very narrow-minded way at looking at music. 'Lovers in a Dangerous Time' [from *Stealing Fire*] was a hit in Canada, but we couldn't get them to release it here. They're too paranoid about what radio stations will play."

In that song, Cockburn sums

up his current objectives: "got to kick at the darkness 'til it bleeds daylight." His songs are angry, critical and, at times, he tends to lecture. More often, however, he doesn't lose sight for whom they were intended: the oppressed, the underprivileged and the exploited. His songs cry out to be heard and will undoubtedly be a central force in tomorrow night's benefit concert.

"I think now, for the first time, people are ready to find out what really is going on in Nicaragua. No one thing is going to get through; we can just help raise the profile of the organized opposition to *contra* aid. Hopefully, our voice will be heard."

## Magnetic 'Attraction:' a scary, domestic thriller

by Katy Hickox

*Fatal Attraction* is a movie that might bring monogamy back into style. While the dialogue in this story of a woman's infatuation that went too far is a bit stilted, the film is full of action and some particularly effective photography. Glenn Close's performance as a near-psychotic woman obsessed with a man and his family is eerily convincing and equally terrifying.

*Fatal Attraction*, directed by

Adrian Lyne, focuses on an attorney, Dan Gallagher (Michael Douglas), who is seduced by Alex (Close), a publishing executive, while his wife and daughter are out of town.

While Dan perceives their brief weekend interlude as a casual fling that would not be repeated, Alex becomes obsessed with the lawyer to the point where she slits her wrists to prevent him from going home on their last evening together.

The plot leaves no room for

sympathy towards an obviously unbalanced Alex. The coolly professional, svelte temptress who seduced Dan in the beginning of the movie is quickly replaced by an amoral madwoman who seeks to carry out, through violent means, her jealousy of Dan's family. It is Alex and her deranged antics that make the last hour of *Fatal Attraction* worth sitting through, outlasting the movie's initial dragging dialogue. Close plays the role extremely well; the tension her character creates is undeniable. One can't help but sit on the edge of the seat and wonder what she'll do next.

Photography plays an integral part in this film. Howard Atherton, the film's director of photography, does an outstanding job with a roller coaster scene that takes place near the end of the film. After Alex kidnaps Gallagher's young daughter, she takes the child to an amusement park. As Dan's wife, Beth (Ann Archer), drives around frantically searching for her daughter, Alex takes her on a roller coaster ride. The scene switches back and forth between the careening roller coaster and the screeching tires of

Beth's car, effectively creating tension.

Although the movie has some excellent photography and a convincing leading lady in Close, there are a few bugs. The film occasionally drags, but Alex is usually quick to come through with action to fill the holes. The love scenes between Alex and Dan will be curiously familiar to anyone who saw and remembers the trysts in *9 1/2 Weeks*, also directed by Adrian Lyne. In fact, the same settings and situations are used.

As Dan's wife, Ann Archer isn't particularly impressive, especially in the beginning of the movie, although she improves once her character and the movie become more emotional. Overall, Beth seems a bit wishy-washy, but Archer's inconsistencies as an actress don't take too much away from the film since it isn't built around her character.

The film also leaves a few questions unanswered as far as the motivations of the characters. We are never able to discover why Dan, a seemingly content family man, succumbs to the wiles of a woman he barely knows. The film



Michael Douglas and Glenn Close in 'Fatal Attraction.'

also ends too abruptly after the violent, climactic confrontation between Dan and Alex, and the final shot of Dan and his wife is confusing.

If you're looking for a film packed with action and one that will keep you on the edge of your seat, *Fatal Attraction* is it. You'll have to endure some monotonous dialogue at first, but the tension and excitement of the last hour make it worth the ticket price.



Alex introduces herself to Dan's wife (Ann Archer).



## Cavenagh

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Philadelphia Health Management Corp., a private, nonprofit organiza-

nization providing services city and statewide.

Cavenagh said he expects to service Washington's citizens in the same manner, "by meeting the best quality of medical care" as in Philadelphia, although he noted the latter's ambulatory service is more advanced and

extensive.

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## News briefs

A day-long celebration on Wednesday, Sept. 23 will mark the end of Gelman Library's renovations. A symposium, "The Library Catalog—Bringing Order to the Universe of Knowledge," will be held in the Marvin Center Theatre from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. A 4 p.m. celebration at the library will be followed by a reception to mark the opening of an exhibit of GW faculty authors in the Special Collections area

on the library's second floor.

Carl Troester, professorial lecturer in human kinetics and leisure studies, has received the Award of Honor of the Canadian Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. Troester, a GW faculty member since 1976, was cited for "distinguished service to the profession." He is the first non-Canadian to receive the award.

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### MEETINGS AND EVENTS

**9/21:** Career Services Center workshop "Effective Interviewing". Info and sign-up - 994-6496. 3:30-5 pm, Acad. Cen. T-509.

**9/21:** MBA Association organizational meeting. All MBA students are encouraged to attend. Info: Therese Guay 338-6393, 728-8101. 8:15 pm, location posted on MBA Board.

**9/22:** Counseling Center group "Public Speaking Anxiety", led by Ron Shectman begins. Info: 994-6550. 4-5 pm, MC 409.

**9/22:** Career Services Center workshop "Letters and Resumes". Info and sign-up - 994-6496. 5:30-7 pm, Acad. Cen. T-509.

**9/22:** Counseling Center group "The Procrastination Prevention Program", led by George Richard and T. Thorne Wiggers begins and runs for 6 sessions. Info: 994-6550. 6-7:30 pm, MC 411.

**9/22:** College Republicans meeting with Rep. Jack Buechner (R-Mo) and representatives from Republican presidential campaigns. Info: Bryan Tramont 994-9484. 8 pm, MC 403.

**9/22:** Student Association Senate meeting, extreme legislative action. Info: Christopher Crowley 994-7100. 9 pm, Thurston Hall Cafeteria.

**9/23:** Counseling Center group "GW Women Facing Academic and Social Transitions" led by Zsuzsanna Gyorky and Anne Midgough. Info: 994-6550. 3-4:30 pm, phone info number for location.

**9/23:** Counseling Center "Study Skills Seminar: Time Management and Instant Study Skills", led by Thorne Wiggers. Info: 994-6550. 4-5:30 pm, MC 406.

**9/23:** College Bowl quiz competition meeting - as seen on The Disney Channel. Info: Gary Greenbaum 765-2959. 7 pm, MC 416.

**9/23:** Program Board meeting, new members welcome. Info: Lisa 994-7313. 8:15 pm, MC 429.

**9/23:** I.E.E.E. presents guest speaker, Student Professional Awareness Conference and Branch Chapters Organization. Info: Carmen Kocinski 549-7996. 8:50 pm, Acad. Cen. T-640.

**9/24:** MBA Association monthly mixer for MBA and all grad students. Info: Therese Guay 338-6393, 728-8101. 8:30 pm, Samantha's (1823 L Street, N.W.).

**9/25:** Career Services Center workshop "Job Search Strategy". Info and sign-up - 994-6496. 12:30-2 pm, Acad. Cen. T-509.

**9/25:** Health Services Administration Student Association "Health Care Careers", seminar on administrative careers in health care. Info: Bruce Kimball 994-6220. 5:30-8:00 pm, MC 402-404.

**9/25:** Project P.A.I.R. (Performers and Artists in Residence) presents "An Evening of the Arts" with comedy, music, theatre and more (even free refreshments!). Info: Doina 676-3091. 9 pm to midnight, Riverside Cafe.

### WEEKLY HAPPENINGS

**Monday, Wednesday, and Friday**

Wellness Resource Center Low-Impact Aerobics. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 1:10-2 pm. Info: WRC 994-6927. Bldg. K Gym - FREE.

### Tuesday and Thursday

International Shotokan Karate Practice. Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:00-10:00 pm and Saturdays 10:00 am-12 noon in MC 410 and 415. Info: Fred 521-5738. MC 410/415.

### Wednesday

Departments of Classics and Religion informal reading of the New Testament in Greek at leisurely pace - bring lunch if you wish. Wednesday Noon-1:00 pm. Info: Robert Jones 994-6325. Bldg. O 102A.

Counseling Center offers the Miller Analogies Test with two weeks advance appointment. Fee \$30. Info: 994-4860. Counseling Center, 718 21st Street, N.W.

### Thursday

International Student Society coffee hour. 4:00-7:00 pm, Bldg. D.

### NOTICES

Exhibit "Graphic Designers: Visual Communication Alumni" at the Dimock Gallery, Lower Lisner through October 8th. Info: Myra Merritt 994-1525.

Wellness Resource Center "Smoking Cessation Workshop". Monday and Wednesday beginning September 21st. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged. Info: WRC 994-6927.

Performers and helpers wanted for productions on September 25th, October 23rd, and November 13th. Project P.A.I.R. (Performers and Artists in Residence). Info: Doina 676-3091.

Judo Club. Everyone invited, beginners to advanced players, for fitness, self-defense, and lots of fun. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Info: Tom Jackson 462-6737.

"Fed Up With Bingeing", a group for students who binge and purge,

is being formed by the Counseling Center. If you are interested in this group or learning more about eating disorders, contact one of the group's leaders, Juarlyn Gaiter and Ron Shectman, at 994-6550.

Groups of "Adult Children of Parents Who Drink" are forming at the Counseling Center. Contact Zsuzsanna Gyorky or Lynn Hamerling at 994-6550.

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## Anti-nuke flick stuns GW students

by Kristi Messner  
Hatchet Staff Writer

A blaze of shocking white light and a gigantic mushroom cloud looms over a smoldering English town. Close families are divided as each member becomes a lonely nomad. Life as we know it is permanently changed. Could this be a future reality?

According to the 1983 British-made film, *Threads*, presented by the GW Progressive Student Union Wednesday night in the Marvin Center, the answer to this question might frightfully be "yes."

Approximately 50 students crammed into a small fourth-floor room to see the film which, PSU member Stephen Shaff said, the Reagan administration attempted to ban from American television in 1984.

"In 1983-84, Reagan was really pushing for an increase in nuclear arms," Shaff said. "If the majority of Americans had seen this film, it might have affected the successful outcome of that push."

*Threads*, however, found its way onto the television sets of many American homes on Jan. 13, 1985 by way of WTBS, the Ted Turner-owned station in Atlanta.

The New York Times called *Threads*, "a British version of *The Day After*," and in many aspects the two films parallel

each other. Both portray families dealing with the consequences of a nuclear holocaust and both show how a fast-paced world of communications and technology could be transformed into a barren, silent Stone Age in a matter of minutes.

*Threads* is more graphic and violent than *The Day After*. Instead of Jason Robards walking through the rubble in a white shirt, *Threads* shows a mother ripping her newborn's umbilical cord with her teeth, dogs feeding on their masters' burned bodies and starving men chewing on the raw meat of their previously beloved pets. It portrays a world in which the only remaining law is survival of the fittest.

*Threads* was broadcast in the United Kingdom by the British Broadcasting Corporation and attracted eight million viewers (three times the normal audience for BBC programs) on Sept. 23, 1984. Written by Barry Hines, the film was a joint production of the BBC and Australia's Network Nine.

"I felt very uneasy—an almost sickening feeling—when it was over," said GW sophomore Jim Nooné after seeing the film. "When the child born during the fallout grew up and gave birth to a baby who was mutant and sickly, it made you realize this is never going to end."

## Clark

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second term as president, advised GW students to "work for peace and social justice. Try and think less of material things and reject violence as a peace keeper... and enjoy."

He also questioned many of today's political policies. "How can you adapt original intent? The greatest crime in humanity" was spending 10 times more money on nuclear weapons than on food, he said emphatically.

Clark responded to a question on Bork's confirmation hearings and said, "I was always opposed to the idea of asking a nominee the question, 'How would you vote when on the Supreme Court?'"

He said, however, that Bork "doesn't believe in the fundamental constitutional rights." Appointing Bork to the court "would be like appointing a chemical company owner to the Environmental Protection Agency," Clark said.

Clark is not without his enemies, and at least one showed up to hear his speech. At one point, a man in the crowd raised his hand, identified himself as a lawyer "and an American," and accused Clark of "attempting to subvert the country" and of "undermining the court."

There was shouting for a few minutes, but order was eventually restored.



RAMSEY CLARK, former U.S. attorney general, at the Marvin Center.  
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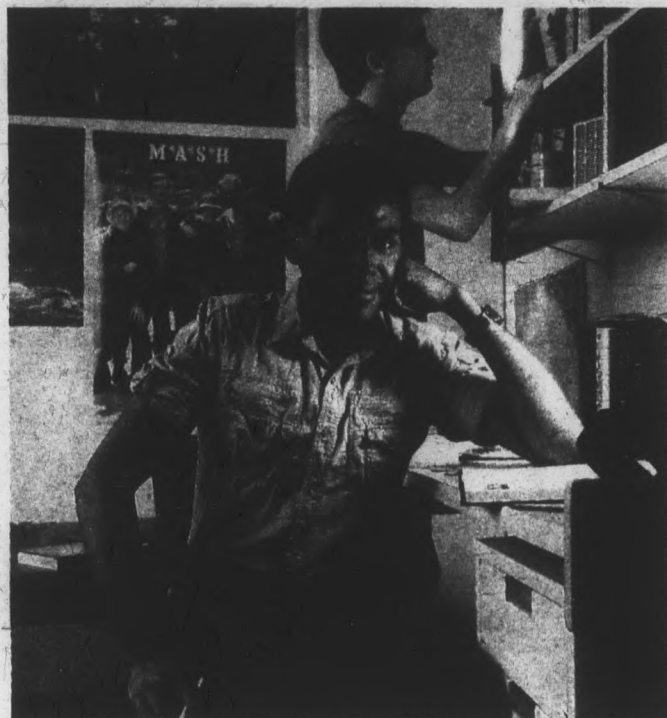


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# Single? Lonely? Help is on the way

by Inga Scheidemandel  
Hatchet Staff Writer

Every day there are opportunities to meet others and "not to walk by them and treat them like an object," said Diane DePalma, director of the GW Counseling Center.

The center's five-session series "For Singles Only," which starts today, aims to help students seize those special opportunities.

The series, led by DePalma and co-leader Juarlyn Gaiter, is designed to help students gain confidence and form meaningful acquaintances—whether they want to be friends or

romantically involved, DePalma said. The group will also talk about the role of sex in a relationship.

DePalma said the program offers many tips and suggestions for students who feel anxious or shy when meeting new people. Students can learn how to "make yourself look more comfortable in social situations," she said.

The series will include exercises to help students practice their communication skills. "You don't gain without practice," DePalma said.

DePalma said the program, in its sixth year,

is not just for freshmen but for all students who "still feel they haven't gotten to know people on campus." She said the group usually consists of less than 10 people, all between the ages of 17 and 35.

Most people get something out of the program, especially those who attend all the meetings, DePalma said. All information discussed in the group is strictly confidential, and both men and women are encouraged to attend.

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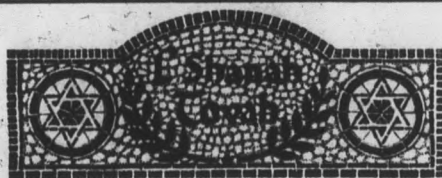
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# Sports

## Men's soccer ties Richmond, 1-1

by Craig W. Wilson  
Hatchet Staff Writer

It was gray, dingy, and overcast, and by the end of yesterday's game, the buff and blue uniforms of the GW men's soccer team were stained black and brown. The players looked like weary miners just up from the depths. They looked like they had been through a rough battle. Indeed, they had been through a war of sorts.

When the fighting subsided, GW and the University of Richmond had fought to a seemingly endless 1-1 draw at Richmond yesterday afternoon.

The lone Colonial goal came on freshman Andrew Morrison's rebound off a shot from Paul Boulard in the first half. A Colonial defensive lapse late in the first half allowed a Richmond score, hence the deadlock. The name of the game yesterday, though, was defense.

Both teams played aggressively, and the style of play led to six yellow cards for either un-sportsmanlike conduct or rough play. GW received two, while the Spiders took four.

GW head coach George Lidster was more than satisfied with the Colonials' yeoman effort. "It was

a rough game ... We matched their physical play ... I was very happy with the way they played today," he said.

"I was pleased with the tie, it means we are back on track," he added. Also playing well again for the Colonials was goalie Harry Bargmann, a "high point" for the team, according to Lidster.

**On the Ball**—GW, 1-2-1, will play at 13th-ranked George Mason, Wednesday at 3 p.m. In that game, GW's Orville Reynolds will face his younger brother, Adrian.



DIANE KELLY (with the ball), leads GW with 10 goals.

photo by Vince Feldman

## Volleyball shot in wild, wild west

by Doug Most  
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A loss in the standings does not always equal a loss in confidence. It can even result in a victory if something was learned in the process.

Such was the case this weekend as the GW volleyball team returned from a westward venture with positive talk from head coach Cindy Laughlin despite a loss at the University of Colorado and two more at the Wyoming Invitational.

"There was some good news, and some bad news," Laughlin explained. "Obviously, I am not happy we lost three matches, but the experience and competition will help a great deal, especially in the Atlantic 10 Conference."

In Saturday's tournament at Wyoming, the fatigue-ridden Colonial Women played the University of Minnesota in the morning. The team never got going, evidenced by its 3-15, 6-15, 3-15 fall.

"People just could not get started," GW Women's Sports

Information Director Rhea Farberman said. "We made more attack errors than we did kills."

Saturday afternoon GW faced host University of Wyoming, a team Farberman said, "will probably be in the top-20 by season's end." GW lost, 5-15, 11-15, 12-15. "They were more effective on their blocks," Farberman said.

However, she also said it was GW's best match of the season. "It was an important rebound for us," she said.

Cheryl Farley led GW with 10 kills, nine digs and a .290 hitting percentage. Carrie Davis had 15 kills and a hitting percentage of .331. Overall, however, GW hit .140. "It is better [than against Colorado] but it has to come up," Farberman said.

Friday against Colorado, GW won the first two games, 15-12, 15-9. Then everything fell apart and it lost three straight, 8-15, 4-15, 15-17. "It was a real close fifth game," Farberman said of the last game in the two-and-a-half-hour

marathon contest. "Neither team got more than a two-point advantage. It was nip-and-tuck all the way."

GW's junior outside hitter, Ingrid Wicker, nailed 15 kills and added 17 digs to lead the team. She also had a hitting percentage of .242, compared to the team's .107 mark.

"Being up 2-0 and not winning, you must learn from that," Laughlin said. "Consistency hurt us, especially in Colorado. We have to learn to hold onto momentum."

"We faced some competition, especially in Minnesota and Wyoming that we will see in our conference. We improved tremendously in just three days."

**Netnotes**—GW is 1-6 on the season ... The Wyoming match was played before an unusually large crowd for a volleyball game at 531 ... Laughlin said one aspect of the team's game she will look to improve is its blocking ... The team next plays tomorrow at the Smith Center at 7 p.m.

## Kelly and co. topple Nassau by 3-0 count

by Richard W.C. Lin  
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Potential: The Random House Dictionary defines it as "capable of coming into actuality or realization."

Every team has some potential, but the challenge lies in reaching it to the fullest. Saturday, the GW women's soccer team took a step in the right direction with a 3-0 victory over Nassau Community College at the RFK Auxiliary Field, improving the squad's overall record to 5-2.

"They were a good team," GW assistant coach Sheryl Walters said. "We are playing more to our potential now."

GW's game plan, according to co-captain Kate Steinhilber, was to "make them make the mistakes and keep pressuring them." The pressure was on for both teams as the first half ended scoreless.

GW sophomore forward Lisa Cellura scored the tie-breaking goal 1:49 into the second half off an assist from senior Sandy Helverson.

Diane Kelly added her 10th goal of the season with 12:03 left off a Teresa Miguel assist. Helverson scored the game's final goal with 5:30 to go.

"[They're] closer to their potential, but I would have liked to see more intensity from the beginning," Walters said.

"Hopefully, we will keep improving and won't peak until the second weekend in October," Steinhilber added.

**On the sideline**—Kelly, Kristin Lippert and Lora Mozer were GW's representatives on the N.C. State All-Tournament Team, played last week ... GW next plays this weekend in the Berry College Tournament in Atlanta, Ga.

## Sportswriter's stereotype: It just ain't true

A distorted impression of sportswriters is that their love for the game is tremendous, their dedication stupendous, but their skills ... well, horrendous. It's not all true.

Sportswriters played Pop Warner football. They wore those helmets that were so oversized no one could see, resulting in accidental collisions that coaches confused with blocking.

Sportswriters played youth basketball. A sport where a lay-up was really a heave-up, and a bounce pass meant bounce it to your teammate, even if it took two or three or 20 bounces to get there.

Sportswriters even played Little League baseball—a pastime in which the pitchers were so wild that home-plate umpires preferred standing behind the mound rather than having every other pitch carom off their shins.

Careers of these individuals continued throughout high school and often into college. But one factor prevented stardom. Size. Have you ever seen a sportswriter who looked like an athlete? On the court, sure, but in the office? Well, enough said.

Consequently, sportswriters must use

their imagination to quench that thirst for the spotlight.

Rather than step forward into player strikes, drugs, contract disputes and racial problems, this writer would just assume step back into a time when the strikes were called at home-plate, players got high on life and the only money disputes involved mom, dad and inflation of the weekly allowance.

Football, like all sports, required a spectacular play from one individual to

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grab the spotlight—a play which would separate the player from the rest of the group.

*The kick is off, but I can't see the ball because my helmet keeps falling in front of my eyes. Thud!! Found it. I pick it up and head upfield. I worry not that I can't see my blockers or my opponents, because I know they can't see me. Suddenly, I lift my*

*helmet and see nothing but green grass. I reach the end zone and collapse from exhaustion. My teammates, helmets in hand, pile on top of me.*

In basketball, it is much harder to separate yourself from the rest of the players. Hence, the foul line.

*I intercept the rolling pass and head up court. Oblivious to my four screaming teammates, I see nothing but the basket. Before I can utilize my six-inch vertical jump, however, I am decapitated by an opponent's forearm. The whistle blows. Two shots.*

*I step to the line amid silence. One grunt later, and the swish echoes through the arena. One more. The ball feels like a 10-pound weight, the basket looks like a golf hole, but the shot is up. Front rim ... back rim ... front rim ... suddenly everything goes black. A pileup.*

Hot dogs, apple pie, baseball. America's pastimes. There is no substitute for a Little League baseball diamond where one can learn what youth athletics are all about.

*The umpire just wanted to get home and ice his black-and-blue marks. Everyone was thinking home run ... except me. I knew the only way I could hit one was with a ... gulp ... corked bat.*

*The pitcher wound up and threw. "Ouch!!" That was the umpire for the umpteenth time. The second pitch, the same as every other pitch he had thrown, resembled a slow breaking ball. It wasn't. It was just slower and further away. I reached out and bunted down the third base line. The runner on third recovered from his shock and scored easily after getting a nudge from the third base coach. I was safe, the game was over, and the umpire could go home and ice.*

There was nary a worry with youth athletics. Just fun. Since sportswriters seem to have been blessed with average-statured parents, they're forced to resort to fantasy. Now if you'll excuse me, I hear my mother calling me for dinner.

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